

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 36 of the First Extraordinary Session  
By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Kim Kendrick and the Gallatin High School girls' basketball team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association 1999 Class AAA state championship.

WHEREAS, steeped in a long tradition of hardwood prominence, the great Gallatin High School girls' basketball team has, through hard work and exceptional skill, won the coveted Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association 1999 Class AAA state championship; and

WHEREAS, Gallatin started their steady path to immortality by winning the regular season District 9 title for an incredible fourth straight season; and

WHEREAS, the Green Wave next won the District 9 Tournament championship, defeating tough Mt. Juliet 45-41, in the finals; and

WHEREAS, in the crucial Region 5 AAA Tournament, this exemplary squad beat Kenwood High School 66-36, Cheatham County High School 48-39 and Mt. Juliet 49-35 to add that crown to their laurels; and

WHEREAS, despite strong competition, Gallatin then won the Class AAA Mid-State Sectional tournament convincingly defeating Hillsboro High School 69-42 in the first game and Brentwood 49-36, utilizing an excellent pressure defense in the title game; and

WHEREAS, the Green Wave rolled over the opposition in the prestigious Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class AAA State Tournament, beating Maryville 57-25,

Germantown 52-50, on a dramatic shot by Kendra Ramsey with two seconds left and Oak Ridge 56-50, in the championship game; and

WHEREAS, they completed their memorable season with a superb 33-3 record, a winning percentage of .910; and

WHEREAS, they have been expertly coached by the highly regarded Kim Kendrick. Lucian Border was the Assistant Coach; and

WHEREAS, a key factor in the numerous accomplishments of Gallatin was the senior leadership; the three-year record of the seniors was 80-18; and

WHEREAS, the team was lead by the Kaia Jergenson, State Tournament Most Valuable Player, National Tournament participant for two years, All-State; All-Region 9 AAA tournament and All-District 9 AAA; Kendra Ramsey, who has signed to play for Tennessee Tech University, Ms. Basketball finalist, National Tournament participant for four years, All-State Tournament; All-Region 9 AAA Tournament; and Co-District 9 AAA Most Valuable Player, Natalie Brown, who has signed to play for Belmont University, National Tournament participant for four years, All-State Tournament; all-region 9 AAA Tournament and Co-District 9 AAA Most Valuable Player; Audrey Troutt, who has signed to play for Belmont University, National Tournament participant for two years, All-State Tournament, All-Region 9 AAA Tournament and All-District 9 AAA; and

WHEREAS, the complete roster of the squad was: Seniors Kendra Ramsey, a 5'6" point guard; Natalie Brown, a 5'9" guard; Kaia Jergenson 6'2" center; Jill Lasley, a 5'6" guard; Audrey Troutt, a 5'10" forward; Amanda Bransford, a 5'5" defensive guard; and Carrie Kreisle, a 6'2" center; Juniors Kelly Klacik; and Tomisha Walker; Sophomores Shelly Sloyd; Leslie Locke and Hope Scaggs; Freshman Chelsee Insell; each of whom contributed to the tremendous success the team has enjoyed; and

WHEREAS, the able staff included: Coach Richard Stephenson, who worked diligently behind the scenes; manager Camille Odom, Kelli Whiteside, statistician for three years; Elizabeth Parks, statistician; and Johnny Anderson and Nick Pappas, training staff; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Green Wave received admirable support from Principal Benny Bills and Athletic Director Steve Dukes; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize and commemorate this fine squad; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Kim Kendrick and the Gallatin High School girls' basketball team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association 1999 Class AAA state championship and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and to each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.